Promotion and development of sports activities in H.P.

469. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds granted to Himachal Pradesh for promotion and development of sports activities during the last three years, district-wise; and

(b) the effective measures being taken by Government to ensure proper utilisation of funds provided by Government to that State?

THE MINISTER OFYOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI VIKRAM VERMA): (a) District-wise details of funds granted to Himachal Pradesh for promotion of sports activities during the last three years under the Scheme of "Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure" have been indicated in the enclosed Statement (Seebelow).

(b) The first instalment of the approved grant is released only when the State Government has incurred at least 50% of their share and furnishes the Progress Report. Subsequent instalments are released only on receipt of Utilization Certificate of grant already released, duly signed by an officer of the State Government not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary; Progress Report/Completion Certificate signed by the competent Government Engineer; Audited Accounts and photographs of the project. All these measures ensure proper utilisation of funds by the State.

Statement

Details of funds granted to Himachal Pradesh for promotion of sports activities during the last three years under the schemes of Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure

Sl.	Project No.	Amount released (Rs. In lakhs)
1	2	3
1999-2000		
1.	State Level Sports Complex at Shimla, District Shimla	10.00

1	2	3
	2000-2001	
2.	Basketball court at Government Sr. Sec. School, Ladrur, Hamirpur District	0.58250
3.	District Level Sports Complex at Una, District Una	50.00
4.	Stadium at Junga, District Shimla	0.832
	2001-2002	
5.	Indoor Stadium at Mandi, District Mandi	27.00
6.	Play field at Government Hr. Sec. School Hardi, Distt. Una	1.36
7.	Basketball Court at Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Lohar, District Una	0.90
8.	Basketball Court at Govt. Hr. Sec. School, Tal, Distt. Hamirpur	0.08940
9.	Basketball Court at Govt. Hr. Sec. School, Bhareri, Distt. Hamirpur	070110
10.	Ski Slope and Ski Store at Manali, Distt. Kullu	15.00

Doping charges against athletes

470. SHRI DINA NATH MISHRA: Will the Minister ofYOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Sunita Rani has been declared innocent and stands absolved of the doping charges; and

(b) if so, what concrete measures Government are taking to ensure that such hasty and unjustified action is never taken against our athletes in future?